	Area in thousand hectares		
State	*Oil Palm*	*Cashew*	*Banana*
Tripura	-	1.126	3.5
West Bengal	-	6.798	-
Uttar Pradesh	-	-	1.1
Goa	-	44.639	-
Andaman and Nicobar	-	44.639	-
Island	1.59	-	1.4
Pondicherry	-	0.363	0.2
Lakshadweep	-	-	0.1

(b) and (c). The Site Selection Committee of the I.C.A.R. inspected the sites offered by the State Governments for the establishment of National Research Centre for banana. The Committee found that the site offered by the Government of Kerala was not suitable for the proposed National Research Centre as the land was undulated and without any assured source of water and unsuitable for banana growing.

In case of National Research Center for cashew the existing Cashew Research Centre set up under the Central Plantation Crop Research Institute (CPCRI) in Karnataka was upgraded as the National Research Centre for Cashew.

HPCL and LOC Welfare programmes for SCs/STs

4723. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) The details of programmes chalked out by the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. and Indian Oil Corporation separately for the welfare of SCs/STs on the occasion of centenary celebration of Baba Saheb Dr. B.R. Ambedkar; and

(b) the steps taken to implement the programmes?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARNAND): (a) and (b). In addition to the enjoying welfare measures for SC/ST undertaken by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. and Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., the following programmes were also taken up in connection with the Centenary Celebrations of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar:

Hindustan Petroleum corporation Ltd.

(i) Donation of books of Dr. BABA SAHEB Ambedkar to schools and colleges.

(ii) Sponsored Bharat Ratna Dr.

Baba Saheb Ambedkar Institute of Carrier Development and Research at Wadala, Bombay for Vocational Training of SC/ST youths.

(iii) An ambulance has been procured for donation to HPCL SC/ST Employees Welfare Association.

(iv) Setting up the Ambedkar Akshar Jyoti at Secunderabad.

(v) Distribution of materials in SC/ST areas by the Vizag Refinery.

Indian Oil corporation Ltd.

(i) Setting up of a pavilion along with other oil companies at Ramlila Grounds, New Delhi highlighting the life and mission of Dr, Ambedkar from April 14 to April 20, 1991.

(ii) Special logo of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was displayed on the franking machine on outgoing messages.

(iii) organization of elocution competitions, debates, quiz programmes etc. on the life and mission of Dr. Ambedkar.

[*Translation*]

LPG Plants

4724. SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA:
SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:
SHRI UDDHAB BARAMAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of LPG plants In the country, State-wise; and

(b) the annual production capacity thereof, plant-wise?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b). A statement is enclosed.

STATEMENT

S.No.	*State*	*Bottling Plantcompany*	*Existing Bottling Capacity in TMTPA (operating capacity)*
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Vijaywada	10
		Cherlapally	78
		Vijayawada	22
		Vishak	44
		Tadepally	12
2.	Assam	Bongaigon	22